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Dear Mr. Williams:

I wish to draw your attention to the following facts:

- (1) Mr. J. Lanskoronskis cannot any longer be considered for the Radio Center. He has failed to form a body which would be acceptable to the groups participating in VLIK, consequently he is no longer the Chairman of VT. Mr. L. left for Paris last night.
- (2) Mr. J. Matulionis was informed that the project would in no way interfere with VLIK, but on the contrary - would be helpful in performing its activities. Mr. M. contacted his colleagues and their reaction toward the project is reflected by the following paragraph from Bulletin ELTA of Jan. 15, 1957:

"Certain individuals are contacting some of our compatriots with a proposition to establish a Radio of Free Lithuania which would broadcast to their homeland in the name of Lithuanians. VT feels that this is its duty to inform our compatriots that this project has been undertaken without the knowledge or approval of the Lithuanian organs of liberation... We are not willing to believe that, whatever the political beliefs, a person will allow to use his name as a cover up for the birth of the Radio of Free Lithuania."

The excerpt has been reprinted by some Lithuanian papers.

The above statement is a clear refusal to cooperate and a "warning" to others not to cooperate with Americans in this field.

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- (3) I was "warned" personally - that an action will be taken against me if I engage myself in any kind of joint activities with Americans, or Messrs. Lozoraitis or Rastenis.

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From: Mr. J. Brazaitis

To: Mr. Williams

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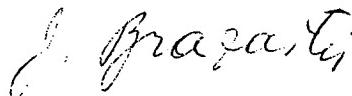
My conclusions would be as follows.

a/ Personally, I am not impressed by any "warnings" nor give them any consideration. However, I believe, that any further contact at the present time with the political groups would prove fruitless.

b/ If, after all, you still are considering the possibilities of organization of a Radio Center, I believe, there is only one way to accomplish it: start the ball rolling; meanwhile, without any Council; when the project will be more or less brought about, then the VLIK, LLK and Diplomats could be approached once again for cooperation, and, I believe, with more success than at the present time.

It was only yesterday that I learned about Mr. Lankoronskis' failure. Please excuse me if my information is slightly delayed.

Sincerely yours,


J. Brazaitis